[OMB Control No. 2900-0764]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients – Dental Patient Satisfaction Survey

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Janel Keyes, Office of Regulations, Appeals, and Policy (10BRAP), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to Janel.Keyes@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0764" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0764" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

<u>Title</u>: Survey of Healthcare Experiences of Patients – Dental Patient Satisfaction Survey, VA Form 10-10070.

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<u>Type of Review</u>: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

<u>Abstract</u>: The mission of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is to provide high quality medical and dental care to eligible veterans. Executive Order 12862, dated September 11, 1993, calls for the establishment and implementation of customer service standards, and for agencies to "survey customers to determine the kind and quality of services they want and their level of satisfaction with current services."

The overall purpose of the Dental Patient Satisfaction Survey is to systematically obtain information from patients, which can be used to identify problems or complaints that need attention and to improve the quality of dental health care services. Information

obtained from this dental survey will be made readily available to VA Central Office

(VACO), Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN), VHA field staff, and stakeholders

as part of the Network Performance Report and via the VA Intranet. This data will be

used to demonstrate that VA is providing timely, high quality health care services to

patients.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 12,600 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50,400.

By direction of the Secretary:

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